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1. [redacted] Miss Nathanson, in Mr. Wexler's office (State Department Legislative Liaison), called to say they had received an inquiry from Representative Eugene J. Keogh regarding a Cuban prisoner, [redacted] (Prison number [redacted]). Keogh wishes to know whether this individual is to be released by Castro on Thursday. Miss Nathanson said the Department would not have any information on a Cuban but thought we might be of assistance. I told her I would look into the matter and be in touch with her.

3. [redacted] Scott Peek, Administrative Assistant to Senator George A. Smathers, asked that I talk with him regarding the application of [redacted] Florida, who was recently discharged from the Army with the rank of First Lieutenant. In his military capacity, [redacted] has been handling displaced persons and refugees as well as working in the establishment of military government. Peek said that [redacted] was highly recommended to him by a close, personal friend. Peek said he did not want to exert pressure on the Agency other than to request an early decision on whether or not the Agency was interested in [redacted]. I indicated I would look into the case and be in touch with him.

4. [redacted] Sam Archibald on the staff of the Foreign Operations and Information Subcommittee of House Government Operations asked if we could give any information on one [redacted] of the [redacted]. After checking this with [redacted] who reminded me of the background on this situation, Archibald was advised that [redacted] was not the type of man that [redacted] would be entitled to rely upon. Archibald was not interested in the details and merely wanted our judgment. I pointed out that he has recently gone to the office of Representative M. Allen Smith and we had furnished a similar view to him.

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